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This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at $2 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Code Classification of United States Customs Districts and Ports, January 1, 1967 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities, which appears in the January 1970 issue of Report FT 410, may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

Effective with the statistics for January 1970, the export statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments individually valued $251 and over to countries other than Canada. For Canada, data are fully compiled for shipments individually valued at $2,000 and over while data for shipments valued $251-$1,999 are estimated from a 10-percent sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under $251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown for North America include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The following is a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability (on a 2 chances out of 3 basis) of value totals. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
$500,000 - $1,000,000	.40	1.00		
$100,000 - $500,000	.45	.55	.85	1.00
$20,000 - $100,000	.65	.65	.65	1.00
Cells of under $20,000	Generally less than $10,000			

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The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued $251 and over. Data for shipments valued under $251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under $251), are estimated from a 5-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under $251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of $500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under $500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than $50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	73,279	(X)	19,468	8,280	32,814	9,082	1,389	1,479	481,034	(X)	60,494	33,903	262,101	86,666	11,989	9,850
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	26,495	7,744	3,095	11,315	3,634	302	189	(X)	178,773	28,063	11,390	92,092	36,669	3,115	1,837
St. Albans, Vt.....	8	8	8	-	(Z)	-	-	-	943	943	47	-	896	-	-	-
Boston, Mass.....	1,711	994	253	(Z)	1,401	29	10	18	14,662	8,566	1,302	(Z)	12,198	839	207	116
Buffalo, N.Y.....	271	266	271	-	(Z)	-	-	-	1,439	1,437	1,438	-	1	-	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	31,083	10,141	2,788	2,129	21,165	3,818	328	856	238,604	73,773	13,861	13,170	171,322	30,946	2,763	6,541
Philadelphia, Pa.....	763	446	51	2	559	129	2	20	5,852	3,938	230	28	4,543	853	2	194
Baltimore, Md.....	35	35	26	-	7	(Z)	-	1	83	83	59	-	18	1	-	5
Savannah, Ga.....	76	76	57	-	19	-	-	-	270	270	180	-	90	-	-	-
Tampa, Fla.....	76	5	76	-	(Z)	-	-	-	136	12	131	-	6	-	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	521	243	484	29	5	1	-	1	1,219	500	1,054	127	29	5	-	4
Laredo, Tex.....	284	141	277	7	-	-	-	-	794	530	724	70	-	-	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	74	72	72	-	-	-	-	2	885	881	634	-	-	-	-	251
Nogales, Ariz.....	55	28	55	-	-	-	-	-	105	67	105	-	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	3,760	1,269	774	185	1,321	1,113	310	57	52,178	17,445	6,508	1,236	18,387	22,759	2,964	325
San Francisco, Calif...	2,644	1,509	130	13	213	1,990	295	3	27,980	13,060	854	160	3,330	20,139	3,451	47
Portland, Oreg.....	53	53	3	-	47	2	-	(Z)	1,138	1,138	3	-	1,088	41	-	6
Seattle, Wash.....	472	375	140	9	159	157	5	2	5,546	3,829	1,131	17	1,678	2,666	22	32
Anchorage, Alaska.....	262	247	234	-	10	4	13	-	569	382	327	-	93	95	55	-
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	185	121	20	1	2	75	87	-	1,953	1,441	67	9	38	207	1,633	-
Great Falls, Mont.....	9	9	9	-	-	-	-	-	246	243	246	-	-	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	4	3	1	-	3	-	-	-	39	31	6	-	33	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	93	93	74	-	(Z)	20	-	-	912	912	626	-	3	283	-	-
Duluth, Minn.....	13	13	13	-	-	-	-	-	317	317	317	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	1,284	1,109	286	10	946	9	3	31	6,016	5,053	811	18	4,996	49	18	123
Chicago, Ill.....	5,554	2,275	1,671	(Z)	3,284	474	4	121	34,650	16,260	7,585	6	23,007	3,391	87	574
Cleveland, Ohio.....	288	58	268	-	20	(Z)	-	-	1,331	270	1,145	-	186	(Z)	-	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	41	41	7	-	23	11	-	-	1,434	1,434	106	-	267	1,062	-	-
San Juan, P.R.....	729	561	599	113	16	-	-	(Z)	2,490	1,873	1,129	978	337	-	-	45
Miami, Fla.....	11,012	5,373	6,050	4,815	136	6	(Z)	5	28,619	13,175	11,832	15,469	1,189	61	1	66
Houston, Tex.....	841	506	389	113	131	96	4	109	4,114	1,592	1,419	464	782	732	6	712
Washington, D.C.....	502	164	17	80	398	3	(Z)	4	11,307	3,448	68	562	10,511	140	1	24
All other districts....	57	46	50	(Z)	3	3	-	1	286	263	66	2	48	162	-	8
Shipments under $251...	9,756	(NA)	4,318	773	2,944	1,144	328	249	18,882	(NA)	6,482	1,586	7,023	2,233	781	776
Special Category.....	766	215	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	16,032	5,607	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

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Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	47,506	X	5,621	2,988	27,292	11,138	272	154	274,140	X	20,938	7,150	166,913	73,083	2,185	3,820
U.S. flag carriers.....	X	22,305	2,337	1,507	11,545	6,814	57	45	X	139,565	8,754	4,012	78,845	44,942	935	2,078
St. Albans, Vt.....	20	19	14	-	6	Z	-	-	144	142	75	-	64	5	-	-
Boston, Mass.....	1,705	986	38	2	1,633	28	1	3	8,878	5,164	311	8	8,087	447	16	9
Buffalo, N.Y.....	121	103	103	-	16	2	-	-	1,293	1,092	1,110	-	152	31	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	23,273	10,814	620	798	18,277	3,351	118	107	148,818	64,210	4,507	4,594	115,980	21,022	979	1,734
Philadelphia, Pa.....	377	239	6	Z	350	19	Z	1	7,320	6,530	34	1	5,480	123	Z	1,682
Baltimore, Md.....	71	69	28	-	42	2	-	Z	566	531	155	-	391	19	-	2
Savannah, Ga.....	82	52	32	Z	50	-	-	-	278	160	129	1	148	-	-	-
Tampa, Fla.....	45	38	12	21	8	4	-	-	181	87	22	11	97	51	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	169	65	146	4	19	Z	-	-	296	206	118	38	140	7	-	-
Laredo, Tex.....	117	99	117	-	Z	-	-	-	192	68	191	-	1	-	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	9	9	9	-	Z	1	-	-	292	288	235	-	1	56	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	31	Z	30	Z	1	-	-	-	10	1	2	1	7	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.. ..	3,193	1,760	157	53	601	2,348	28	5	26,336	12,847	2,837	462	5,432	16,967	568	69
San Francisco, Calif...	4,108	3,307	27	9	220	3,819	31	1	32,559	23,536	421	60	2,220	29,504	351	4
Portland, Oreg.....	73	72	4	-	68	1	-	-	423	419	7	-	413	4	-	-
Seattle, Wash.....	270	156	71	-	123	76	-	Z	1,807	1,017	712	-	783	311	-	1
Anchorage, Alaska.....	10	1	5	-	5	Z	-	-	151	34	6	-	114	31	-	-
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	100	53	14	-	3	54	29	-	664	459	19	-	14	483	149	-
Great Falls, Mont.....	15	15	15	-	Z	-	-	-	212	202	207	-	5	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	6	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	29	15	29	-	-	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	10	9	2	-	5	2	-	-	242	71	185	-	55	2	-	-
Duluth, Minn.....	5	1	5	-	Z	-	-	-	371	153	339	-	32	-	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	658	617	82	Z	568	6	-	1	3,176	2,720	730	1	2,387	54	-	5
Chicago, Ill.....	2,203	975	251	2	1,715	229	Z	6	18,016	10,852	2,178	10	13,586	2,168	14	58
Cleveland, Ohio.....	115	13	47	-	65	3	-	-	1,245	65	878	-	356	12	-	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	18	18	2	-	15	1	-	-	190	188	8	-	142	40	-	-
San Juan, P.R.....	1,222	322	828	155	237	1	-	1	1,495	586	583	183	722	4	-	3
Miami, Fla.....	3,810	2,093	1,941	1,735	125	7	-	1	6,167	3,366	3,394	1,492	1,235	42	-	5
Houston, Tex.....	174	105	106	4	57	3	1	3	1,867	284	224	36	1,102	258	32	216
Washington, D.C.....	296	278	57	1	206	32	-	Z	4,313	4,074	32	6	4,230	43	-	2
All other districts....	34	17	23	-	4	7	-	-	308	201	256	-	35	17	-	-
Shipments under $251...	5,167	NA	823	203	2,873	1,140	63	24	6,300	NA	1,003	247	3,503	1,390	76	29

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